UPDATE-Names Released-Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash SR 1 — Smyrna

Smyrna — The Delaware State Police are releasing the names of those involved in the crash that took place on State Route 1 in Smyrna, late Saturday afternoon, in which one driver has succumb to his injuries.

The initial investigation determined that a 2007 Chevrolet Impala was traveling southbound on State Route 1 approaching the State Route 6 overpass when for an unknown reason the vehicle traveled into the center grass median. The Chevy began to spin counter-clockwise as it crossed the median, continuing into the SR 1 northbound lanes, and directly into the path of a 2019 Toyota Tacoma. The front end of the Toyota struck the passenger side of the Chevy, pushing it northbound for a short distance before both vehicles came to a stop in the center of the roadway.

The Chevy was occupied by four male subjects. The driver, 23-year old , Marlon W. Jackson of Townsend, Delaware and right front passenger, Giovanni P. Downie from Brooklyn, New York were transported to the Christiana Hospital in critical condition. Jackson later succumb to his injuries on February 28, 2019. A left rear passenger, Marcus A. Dunn from Jersey City, New Jersey was transported to the Christiana Hospital in stable condition. The right rear passenger, Jordan A. Hannah from Rockaway Beach, New York was transported to Kent General Hospital in stable condition.

The driver and sole occupant of the Toyota, 27-year-old **Matthew A. Hoffman** from Berwyn, Pennsylvania was transported to the Christiana Hospital in stable condition.

State Route 1 northbound was closed for approximately 4 hours

while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The crash continues to remain under investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Cpl. J. Lane of the Troop 3 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-698-8457. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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